

**REMARKS**

The *Ex Parte Quayle* Office Action of February 14, 2006 has been reviewed and the comments therein were carefully considered. Claims 1-15 are currently pending. Claims 1-15 stand rejected.

**Drawing Objections**

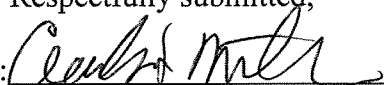
The Drawings stand objected to because the character "DEC," shown in Figures 2 and 3 is alleged to not be mentioned in the description. On page 9, lines 18-21, decision circuit "DEC" is described with reference to Figures 2 and 3. The Applicant accordingly requests that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

**Claim Objections**

Claims 1-15 stand objected to because of the use of "if" in claims 1, 2, 3 and 7. In order to expedite prosecution, claims 1, 2, 3, and 7 have been amended to remove the objectionable language.

Applicants therefore respectfully request reconsideration of the pending claims and a finding of their allowability. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. Please feel free to contact the undersigned should any questions arise with respect to this case that may be addressed by telephone

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